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SUBJECT: KLM HIJACKING

REFERENCE: NICOSIA 2380, 2381,

1. FONMIN DIRGEN INFORMS US THAT AIRCRAFT IS ON WAY TO BENGHAZI. HE SAYS GOC "DOES NOT KNOW WHY THEY HIJACKED AIRCRAFT OR WHY THEY LANDED IN NICOSIA." HE CLAIMS THEY MADE TWO DEMANDS ON ARRIVAL: FUEL, AND RELEASE OF SEVEN ARABS. HE SAYS THAT THEY REPEATED UPON DEPARTURE THAT THEY "EXPECT RELEASE OF THE SEVEN IN VERY NEAR FUTURE." HE REPORTS, HOWEVER, THAT THEY DID NOT MAKE AN EXPLICIT DEMAND FOR ARABS TO BE PUT UPON THE AIRCRAFT.

2. WE STILL DO NOT KNOW EXACTLY WHAT TRANSPIRED BETWEEN VENIAMIN AND HIJACKERS, AND WHETHER SOME PROMISE WAS GIVEN TO
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HIJACKERS. PRESUMABLY CAN SORT THIS OUT IN A FEW DAYS.

3. VENIAMIN CONFIRMS NUMBER OF PASSENGERS AS OVER 270, DOES NOT KNOW HOW MANY HIJACKERS. AIRCRAFT REPORTED PASSENGERS ALL OK AS OF DEPARTURE. NO INFO AS TO NAMES OR NATIONALITIES.

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